

HOLD BIG TENNIS TOURNAMENT HERE

Crack Players of North and South Will Compete in Annual Matches of Hermitage Club in June.

PREPARATIONS FOR SEASON

Besides Big Match During Week of June 21, Monthly Tournaments Will Be Held by Club.

Extensive preparations have been made by the Hermitage Golf Club for the regular tennis season this summer. The exhibition courts have been rebuilt, and among the best in the State they have been opened and already the club members are busy at practice for the coming tournaments.

A great deal of interest and enthusiasm was aroused last year by the local tournament, and the club members are anxious to see that this year's tournament is the best of the kind ever held in the city.

The biggest event of the season will be the annual Old Dominion tennis tournament, which will be played on the courts of the club during the week of June 21, this date having been assigned for it at the recent meeting in New York of the executive committee of the United States Lawn Tennis Association.

This tournament is open to players throughout the United States and will bring to the city some crack tennis players from both the North and South.

The monthly tennis tournaments of the Hermitage Golf Club, open only to members of the club, which will be held on the club courts, will likewise be provided for this season. The dates of these tournaments will be May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27, and July 4, 11, 18, 25, and August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

In the club championships individual cups will be awarded the players to become the permanent property, and in addition the names of the winners will be engraved on two large cups which have been provided by the club, and will remain the property of the club to be kept at the clubhouse. One of these cups is for the men, and one for the women, and they will constitute a record of yearly winners of the club championships in tennis.

There will also be a series of inter-club and inter-city matches during the season, with teams from Northern Virginia, and the University of Virginia, and elsewhere.

HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONS



EMPORIA HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM. Nine has just won the championship of the State League. From left to right—Vaughan, shortstop; T. Chambliss, right field; A. Chambliss, captain and pitcher; Bravell, first base; Dickinson, manager; Fox, pitcher; King, second base; Long, catcher; Liffey, third base; Squire, center field; Peebles, left field.

News of Horses and Horsemen

BY W. J. CARTER ("BROAD ROCK")

About the best looking brood mare offered at the Lewisiana Farm sale, at Fredericksburg, Va., was Telka, the ten-year-old daughter of Arion, 2:07 3/4, and La Jolla, by Advertiser, 2:15 1/4, and she brought the top price, \$100, though for the \$100 paid for this four-year-old champion, the former United States Senator J. W. Bailey, of Texas, got the worth of his money. She is now heavy with foal by Bow Axworthy, 2:21 1/4, and later will be mated with the noted sire Prodigal, 2:16, who heads the Texas Senator's great stud of trotters at Lexington, Ky. Telka, as stated, was sired by Arion, from La Jolla, by Advertiser, her second dam being the former four-year-old champion trotter, Sally Benton, 2:17 3/4, dam of Serpel, 2:10, and three others, by General Benton, and she out of the famous Sontag Mowhawk, the dam of eight in the list. Telka, the dam of Arion was bred by the late J. Malcolm Forbes, who mated her at three years old with Bingen, 2:05 3/4, and which resulted in a bay colt, later known as Talcum, and sold for \$500 as a yearling at the memorable dispersal of the Forbes Farm horses at Boston in May, 1894, the purchaser being D. W. Caton, Foxboro, Mass.

In 1908 Telka was bred to Peter the Great, 2:07 1/4, and sold by Mr. Forbes while with foal at the Eastern Tip-top midwinter sale of 1909 at Madison Square Garden, New York, to William A. Walker, of Richmond, whose property she foaled the bay colt Petalaur. The latter, a trotter and show ring winner, was one of the nicest looking stallions around these parts, is now owned by Joseph Lassiter, of this city. From Mr. Walker, Telka passed to W. J. Carter, who bred her to Kelly, 2:27, full brother to Expensive, 2:12 1/2, in 1909, and to Sidney Prince, 2:21 1/4. She mated to the former and slipped her foal by the son of Sidney, after which she joined the brood mare band at Lewisiana Farm and was bred in 1907 to Bow Axworthy, by whom she foaled the bay colt Telkworthy, a trotter, the following season and was bred back Telka was bid off at this sale by Congressman Clayton, who secured a positive bargain in her dam, the highly finished and handsome gray mare, La Jolla, the dam of Bijnolia, 2:17 3/4, a trotter with a trial of 2:10 1/2, and several others capable of taking fast marks. La Jolla is also with foal by Bow Axworthy, the shapely gray daughter of Advertiser cost Mr. Forbes \$2,500 as a yearling at auction, and while in training was regarded as faster than her full sister, Nordica, 2:10 1/4.

Garth's Stable at Pimlico. William Garth, who shipped his horses last month from Ingleside Farm, at Charlottesville, Va., to the Benning track at Washington, is now taking part in the spring meeting of the Maryland Jockey Club at the famous old Pimlico track, where he has twenty-two horses stabled, including the two-year-olds Melone, brown filly, by Aloha, dam Canteloupe; The black gelding, by Fatherless, dam Eliza Russell; Morman, chestnut gelding, by Fatherless, dam Mormad; Daisy Garth, chestnut filly, by Hawkewick, dam Talitha; Sir John, chestnut gelding, by Sir Dixon, dam Olga Netherly; Agn Hickey, black gelding, by Ben Brush, dam Nisbat. Garth is an able trainer, and in the matter of conditioning the big Virginian can hold his own with the best in the country, so that he is likely to win his share of the races this season, as usual, both with the younger division of the stable and the older horses as well.

Dr. McPhail Now Owns Jack Cook. Jack Cook, 2:05 1/4, the well-known and handsome gray stallion, by General Vikes, 2:21 3/4, from the great brood mare, Irene, dam of Johnny Agn, 2:05 1/4, and Maggie Lewis, 2:23 1/4, by Mambrino Abdullah, who was bred in Kentucky and brought to Virginia by Dyer Brothers, of Roanoke, where he sired a number of good road and driving horses, and trotters also, is now owned by Dr. Donald McPhail, of Randolph, in Charlotte county, who recently purchased the horse. Though mated with only an occasional mare of any breeding during the years he has kept at Roanoke, Jack Cook sired the good trotter, Jack Cook, 2:20 1/2, and others with slower records. Dr. McPhail is one of the best known fanciers of the light harness horse in his section of the State, by him the gray son of General Vikes will be mated with some good mares.

Richmond's Spring Race Meeting. With dates approved by the National Hunt and Steeplechase Association, and with men to officiate in a judicial capacity as Westmoreland Davis, Henry Fairfax, Allen Potts and their associates, there is certainly a very bright outlook for the annual spring meeting of the Virginia Horse Show and Racing Association on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, May 15, 17 and 18, when the program for each afternoon will be made up of six horse show features, a couple of steeplechase events and a like number of races on the flat. Other highly attractive features will also be added to the program, of which announcement will be made later. President James W. Graves and Vice-President John Landstreet made trips to Northern cities last week in the interest of the association, and their efforts will add to the attractiveness of a program arranged with more than ordinary care already.

Many Choice Offerings in Richmond Horse Sale. The annual spring sale of high-class horses in Richmond will be held this week. Listed for the vendors are over 200 head of trotters, pacers, high stepers, fast road and driving and saddle horses. Everything will be sold under cover and speed shown on the eighth-of-mile track by numbers of well-bred trotters and pacers, both with and without records, and for the road, track or stud. Among these with fast marks are Miss Margaret, 2:11 1/2; Jim Corbett, 2:15; Silver Ore, 2:16; Lizette, 2:12 1/4; Doctor Peters, 2:16 1/4; Doug Thomas, 2:10 3/4; Maxine Payne, 2:16 1/4, a young mare, by McZeus, 2:15, and fit to race and win right along this season; George H., 2:10 3/4; Alto Don, 2:11 1/4, a tested race-horse trotter; Radio Temple, 2:13 1/4; Bolt, 2:19 1/4; Queen Glen, 2:19 1/4, and many more with slower records. Among those of special promise and without marks are the elegant young chestnut stallion Cheswood, by Ashland

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DETROIT WILL GIVE TROPHY

City Offers Prize for Winner of Toy Tonneau Class in Glidden Tour Event.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, N. Y., April 24.—A remarkable official action has been taken by the authorities of Detroit with regard to the 1909 touring contest for the Glidden and Hower trophies. This action is the appropriation of money from the city's funds for a trophy presented in the name of the city.

When it was decided that the tour should start from Detroit, the manufacturers of that city, the fifteen entries, and the Board of Commerce wanted to donate a prize for the winner in the toy tonneau class. Mayor Breitmeyer requested that the business men defer action for awhile, and they did so. The reason for the Mayor's request became apparent when Chairman Frank B. Hower received the other day a notification that instead of the toy tonneau trophy coming from the merchants, the city of Detroit had appropriated \$250 for the purchase of the prize for the winner of this class. Contrary to the usual procedure, the matter of appropriation was not referred to any committee, but was unanimously voted by the Council. A committee, headed by the Mayor, was appointed to purchase the trophy, which will be known as the "Detroit Cup."

Entries for the Glidden tour close May 15 this year, which is unusually early, but the inducement of the contest is much greater than ever before, and Chairman Hower has now in hand quite a lot of paid-up entries of cars of all sizes, with many more that are most positively pledged, like those of the Detroit makers, and which surely will be entered.

Although a few still favor touring rules that permit of a lot of cars being tied at the finish, with no finish scores, and do not deem such a finish farcical, there are more manufacturers welcoming the conditions of a true contest, in which the rules make it certain that a winner will be evolved.

Queries and Answers. Sporting Editor The Times-Dispatch: Kindly answer the following in your Sunday paper: With a man on third, a runner from second, who is not forced, runs to third. Can he force the man who is holding third base? A. J. HOPKINS.

Burkeville, Va. The man on third cannot be forced on such a play and the wild runner from second must take care of himself.

Sporting Editor The Times-Dispatch: Please publish in next Sunday's Sporting Section the answer to the following: A player keeps a ball between first base and second, but is thrown out at first base by the right fielder. Does it count as a hit or not? B. H. RICHMOND.

It does not count as a hit, as the hitter does not reach first base.

Sporting Editor The Times-Dispatch: Kindly tell me who pitched for Richmond in the afternoon game on Labor Day, Monday, September 19, 1908.

RICHMOND FAN. "Big Jack" Quinn. The score was tied, 1 to 1, ten innings.

Sporting Editor The Times-Dispatch: Please tell me in your paper the duties of a manager and a captain of a baseball team. H. YOUNG.

Five Creek Mills, Va. The duties of a manager on an amateur or semi-professional team are to arrange games, secure players, attend to the arrangements of the playing field, and provide accommodations for the visiting team. The captain is in direct charge of the team during the game.

With the Bowlers

Some Remarkable Figures. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, April 24.—Another remarkable are the results when a person with an inclination for mathematics delves into figures pertaining to the National Bowling Championships Tournament, which will be held in Madison Square Garden, New York, from May 24 to June 12.

On the basis that 500 five-men teams will compete, there will be 30,000 games rolled—300,000 frames. Figure on an eighteen-foot lane, 540,000 deliveries will be made. With each ball traveling eighty-five feet and back, or 170 feet to each delivery, means that 91,800,000 feet, or about 1,736 miles, will be the distance covered by bowling balls in the Garden. This is six times the distance between New York and San Francisco.

Each ball weighing sixteen pounds, a total weight of 8,640,000 pounds will be lifted, or about 4,320 tons—the weight of an ocean steamship. Each bowler will lift and handle nearly half a ton. Approximately 5,400,000 pins will be knocked down—a weight of 175,000 pounds, or 8 1/2 tons. The combined weight of the balls delivered and the pins knocked down will be greater than the weight of the steamship St. Louis.

NOTES OF NORMAL SCHOOL.

Excellent Concert in Given—Dramatic Club Meets with Success. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, FARMVILLE, VA., April 24.—A concert of very high grade was given in the gymnasium of the Normal School, April 20, under the direction of Professor August Schlemmer. Those taking part in the almost faultless program were Miss Agnes Smith, soprano; Mrs. Jarman, mezzo-soprano; Mr. Jarman, tenor; Mrs. R. T. Kerlin and Miss Andrews, pianists; Miss Agnes Smith, reader; Mr. Schlemmer, pianist, accompanist and director, and a chorus of young ladies of the Normal School.

A delightful hour was spent in listening to a program of Robert Burns's songs. The occasion was planned by Dr. Kerlin especially in the interest of the English literature classes, but was enjoyed by many others. Mrs. Kerlin was pianist and accompanist, while Miss Eva Manning and Mrs. L. L. Jarman interpreted the songs. The hour closed with "Auld Lang Syne," sung by the audience standing.

The Dramatic Club of the Normal School went to Buckstone to give the interesting play "Miss Farnsworth and Company," which has already been presented three times in Farmville and once at Crofts with great success. The club consists of Misses Sophie Booker, Florence Clayton, Pearl Berler, Mary Dwyer, Miss Mayo, Ruth Reed, Edna Fitzgerald, Patti Smith, Lela Sutherland and Winnie Parsons. The young ladies were accompanied by Miss Agnes Smith, who had no ally named them, and by J. C. Mattoon, Lea Biddgood, professor of history, has been granted leave of absence for next year to go to graduate work at the University of Wisconsin. It is probable that Mr. Biddgood will conclude his work for the doctor's degree at Harvard.

Miss Natalie Lancaster, assistant in mathematics, who has had leave of absence this year for special study at Columbia University, has been elected head of the department of mathematics.

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In the Normal and Industrial School for Women at Harrisonburg. Dr. J. E. Messinger represented this school at the exercises of laying the corner-stone of the new Normal School at Harrisonburg last week.

President J. L. Jarman attended the Southern Education Conference in Atlanta last week.

Bishop R. H. Tucker and Dr. C. B. Bryant, attending the Central Convocation of the Episcopal Church, took part in the chapel exercises Wednesday morning and addressed the students.

Annual Meeting. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CAPE CHARLES, VA., April 24.—The seventeenth annual meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Eastern Shore District, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will convene at 3 o'clock Tuesday, April 27.

Devotional services will be led by Mrs. D. G. C. Butts, of Franktown Auxiliary.

Addresses of welcome will be made by the pastor, Rev. J. D. Hoyer, and by Mrs. C. W. Hoyer, with responses by Miss Susie Locato, of Smith's Chapel Auxiliary.

Association Reorganized. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) PARKSBY, VA., April 24.—The Parksbys Foreign Association was reorganized this week. Stock is being subscribed at \$1 per share, the base-ball grounds to be enclosed. The following officers were elected: H. T. Mason, president; J. Merritt Chandler, vice-president; J. Harry Row, secretary and treasurer; W. B. Sartorius, business manager.

Begin Work in June. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LYNCHBURG, VA., April 24.—Dr. W. W. Hamilton, who recently accepted the call to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, has notified the church that he will enter upon his work on the first Sunday in June. Dr. Hamilton is at present located in Atlanta, Ga.

Child Is Killed. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) KELLER, VA., April 24.—While playing on a timber cart here yesterday Ellen Ames, the three-year-old daughter of Samuel Ames, a farmer, was instantly killed, the chains on the cart becoming loosened and the long tongue flying back, striking the child.

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